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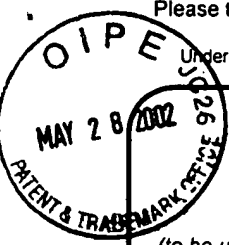
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In response to the above-identified Preliminary Notice mailed on March 29, 2002, Applicants hereby request reconsideration. The Applicants respectfully point out that the Preliminary Notice has been issued erroneously, as the application is not related to the art and utilization of special nuclear materials or atomic energy. The Declaration under 37 C.F.R. §1.68 and MPEP 150 is attached.

If there are any questions or if there is a need for any additional information, please telephone the undersigned attorney at (415) 954-0349.

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